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: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INTERNET CONNECTIVITY FOR AGRICULTURE BUYERS, SELLERS AND TRANSPORTERS

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LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Commissioner:

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated February 6, 2001,

enclosed are:

- 1. A copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application;
- 2. Our check in the amount of \$514.00 (including the Missing Parts surcharge of \$65.00 and
- 35 the Basic filing fee in the amount of \$449.00);
 - 3. Executed Small Entity Declaration;
 - 4. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Application No. 09/747,329

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 501329. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all correspondence to STRADLING YOCCA CARLSON & RAUTH, IP Department, 660 Newport Center Drive, Suite 1600, P.O. Box 7680, Newport Beach, California 92660-6441.

Respectfully submitted,

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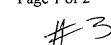
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$94.
 - \$54 for 6 total claims over 20.
 - \$40 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The balance due by applicant is \$ 514.	47329 355.00 0p 65.00 0p // 54.00 0p //
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